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Honorable Michele Reagan
Arizona Secretary of State
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Secretary Reagan:

Pursuant to A.R.S. §16-602, Cochise County conducted a hand count audit of the November 6, 2018 General Election.

The Cochise County Party Chairs from the Republican and Democrat Parties met at 2:00 pm on November 7, 2018 to begin the hand count audit process. The Chairwomen drew, by random lot, the following Vote Center and early batches for the hand count:

Vote Center #12, located in Bowie with 85 ballots cast on Election Day
Batch #24 with 216 early ballots cast
Batch #67 with 198 early ballots cast

Cochise County operates entirely on a Vote Center model, with 17 Vote Centers in operation this election. Although they randomly selected our smallest center, this method satisfied the precinct count requirement. All machines at the Vote Centers are fully ADA compliant.

All ballots were accounted for in the central counting location before the selection process began. There were 34,140 early ballots cast.

Four contested races were audited as required by law for the General Election:

Statewide Candidate	Governor
Federal Candidate	U.S. Representative
Statewide Legislative	State Senator LD14
Proposal	Prop. 127

Nine hand count workers (4 REP / 5 DEM) convened at 9:00 am on November 10, 2018 to begin the actual hand count. Following the administration of the Oath to all present and providing instructions, the physical

hand count began. The tabulation method used was the stacking method. The hand count was conducted by 3 boards, consisting of 3 members each.

The Board adjourned at 12:30pm with the hand count audit having been successfully completed.

Attached is the summary report, which depicts the results of the hand count audit for each race. I am happy to report that everything that was hand counted matched the machine determined results with only a .01% discrepancy in one race. That falls well into the acceptable range with the Party's being satisfied we met our legal obligation and our electronic equipment counted the votes accurately.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "L. Marra", with a large, stylized loop at the beginning.

Lisa M. Marra, CPM
Elections Director



COCHISE COUNTY, ARIZONA
HAND COUNT
November 6, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION

Handcount process to begin at 2:00pm on 11/7/18 in the offices of the Cochise County Elections Department - 1415 Melody Lane, Building A, Bisbee, AZ.

The physical handcount will begin at 9:00am on Saturday, November 10, 2018 in the Cochise County Elections office.

Party order to draw: Draw First Sue Draw Second Debbie

Official Vote Center Count Draw (1-17 Vote Centers)
2% of Vote Centers = 1 in Cochise County

Vote Center Draw V12

Number of Races to Count per Category (up to 4 contested races)

Sue Federal Candidate U.S. Rep

Debbie Statewide Candidate Governor

Sue State Legislature State senate

Debbie Statewide ballot measure (3) Prop 127
Not a Presidential year

Official Early Ballot Count Draw

1% of Early Ballots Cast (1% or 5000) 31,000 processed as of time of draw (33,000 expected) Each batch approximately 200 ballots.

Early Batch draw 24 Debbie

Early Batch draw 67 Sue

Sue Mitchell
Sue Mitchell, Republican Party Chair

Debbie Hickman
Debbie Hickman, Democrat Party Chair

Election Official: Lisa M. Marra, Cochise County Elections Director

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of November, 2018
At 2:30 pm



Martha L. Rodriguez

AGGREGATE - EARLY BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT - TOTAL FROM ALL BATCHES and VOTE CENTERS

Election: November 6, 2018 General

Race Category: Federal Candidate

Race: U.S. Representative

Batch	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
24	209	210	1
67	192	192	0
Vote Center 12	84	84	0
Totals:	485	486	1

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

Race Category: Statewide

Race: Governor

Batch	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
24	215	215	0
67	196	196	0
Vote Center 12	84	84	0
Totals:	495	495	0

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

Race Category: Legislative

Race: State Senator

Batch	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
24	207	207	0
67	191	191	0
Vote Center 12	83	83	0
Totals:	481	481	0

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

Race Category: Proposition

Race: Prop 127

Batch	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
24	215	212	3
67	200	196	4
Vote Center 12	82	82	0
Totals:	497	490	7

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

.01%

- 2 groups counted twice and agreed they made a mistake somewhere in counting the yes/no – harder for them to read on the ballots than candidates. They determined between themselves the results were accurate by machine count.